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## SECOND INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

Pursuant to the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. 1.56, Applicants are enclosing an Information Disclosure Citation Form (PTO-1449) and copies of the documents cited therein. U.S. Patent No. 6,730,885 is a counterpart of JP Laid-Open Publication No. 2000-25997 cited on page 2 of Applicant's specification.

It is respectfully requested that the cited documents be considered by the Examiner in the above-identified patent application and that the cited documents be made officially of record therein. It is further requested that a listing of the same appear on the face of any patent which may issue from this application.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed within three (3) months of the filing date of the application. Therefore, it is believed that no fees are due under 37 C.F.R. Section 1.97(b)(3).

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